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'ROUNDABOUT THE STATE.

Cleaned from Exchanges—Made by the Shears, the Pencil and the Paste Pot—Some Original, Some Credited, and Some Stolen, but Nearly All Interesting Reading.

Maryville just won't stay out of the limelight. Just now the town is getting ready for a small fireworks factory.

Just to make dentistry a bit more attractive an Ava dentist is advertising that he will pull teeth for ten cents each.

A Mountain Grove man has completed a working model of an invention which will take the flicker out of motion pictures.

It is announced that creditors of the Thayer merchant who bet \$3,500 on a fake horse game will get about fifteen cents on the dollar.

The grain elevator at Clearmont burned Sunday morning. About \$1,000 worth of grain, and about 50 tons of coal in the elevator was destroyed.

Measles have taken Lexington, there being hundreds of cases. In one class in the city schools where there are 42 enrolled, all but eleven are broken out with the malady.

Nevada will vote November 16 on a bond issue of \$35,000 for building a new city hall. An issue of \$5,500 for the purchase of a motor fire truck will be passed on at the same time.

Texas County's expenditure of \$12,000 for road machinery is eliciting favorable comment from neighboring counties, several of which are sending delegations to see the machines in operation.

A new floor, the third in eighteen years, is being put on the Jefferson City bridge across the Missouri river. The job requires three hundred thousand feet of lumber and five thousand pounds of 80-penny nails.

So many streets in Grant City are closed for traffic that getting in and out of town is like solving a "pige in clover" puzzle. Folks are bearing patiently with conditions, however, as the reason for the closures is street paving.

The biggest mule in the state is the distinction claimed for "Missouri Queen," owned by George Bramhall, Jr., of Putnam county. "Queen" is three years old, weighs 1,840 pounds and stands more than eighteen hands high.

"Colored gem'men" up in Jackson county have an eye for business. For instance, Charles Robinson killed Al Moore last April. Mrs. Moore was the only witness to the shooting. What did Charley do? Married Mrs. Moore, of course!

An old negro woman who has been beating the dust from the sidewalks of Jefferson City for about 65 years, has arranged to buy an automobile for her individual use. She proposes to "show them niggers something," is the way she put it.

Claude Patterson of Vanduser has filed a suit in the circuit court for \$21,500 damages against the Frisco for injuries alleged to have been received when he was leaving the train at Himmel station. He started to get of the steps of the coach when a sudden jerk of the train threw him off and caused hernia to the extent he cannot recover. The case comes up next month.—Benton Democrat.

The Danforth Memorial Y. M. C. A. presented to the city of Charleston by William H. Danforth of St. Louis, with the provision that the city donate \$35,000 for the alteration and equipment of the building, is nearing completion and will be ready for occupancy about December 1. The building, which is the only branch of the Y. M. C. A. in Southeast Missouri outside of the railroad branches, will be modernly equipped and will contain a swimming pool, a gymnasium, reading-rooms, etc.

On an order entered by Judge R. G. Ranney in the Court of Common Pleas yesterday, the Cape Girardeau & Northern railroad will be sold at public auction at the end of 90 days. The sale is brought on by bond holders of the road, it is believed, will force the Frisco to take over the properties and at the same time take it out of receivership. This move, it is forecasted, also will pave the way for the release of the Frisco system from bankruptcy.—Cape Tribune.

It is reported that ex-County Clerk Lee C. Phillips has refused an offer of \$1,000 a piece for his famous paper shell pecans, which are three times as large as the ordinary pecans. Mr. Phillips now has exclusive control of the market and won't help others to start an orchard of that kind of nuts.—New Madrid Record.

While J. M. Fresman, a medicine peddler was driving along a country road in Howard county, a bug flew in his open mouth and was inhaled into his lung. He died three weeks later and a post mortem examination revealed that his death was due to gangrene resulting from an abscess in the lung.

W. A. Curry and his wife, 85 and 82 years old, respectively, residents of Pettis county, have just taken their first ride on a train. They have lived in the vicinity of Longwood for fifty-four years, during which time all the traveling they did was in a horse drawn vehicle.

Less than four years ago a Taney county man, relates the Branson Leader, bought twelve nanny goats for \$27.50. Having supplied his table with goat meat during the four years he sold the flock the other day for \$290. He estimates the cost of keeping the flock for the four years at \$5.

All the apples of the Grigebay orchard, three miles southwest of Skidmore have been harvested and the total number of bushels was 52,000. All of the No. 1 fruit went to Kansas City for cold storage. The others were sold everywhere but all were disposed of.

R. O. Sharp of Micoles brought us last Friday a red Triumph Irish potato, which weighed a pound and nine ounces, after having been dug for several days. This is in extremely large size for that variety of potato.—Cathlamet Argus.

The jury in the case of Elbert Johnson, charged with the murder of Lee Warren at Pike on Sunday, March 14, 1915, returned a verdict at 2:35 this afternoon in favor of the defendant.—Poplar Bluff Republican.

What is expected to prove a fine bed of zinc silicate is being developed in Ozark county by stripping to the ore which lies from eighteen to twenty-four inches from the surface. The ore will be hauled twenty-five miles to West Plains.

Several Cole county farmers are taking advantage of the October sunshine to cut and cure their fifth crop of alfalfa. One of these, Byron E. Leske, a dairyman and farmer just outside the limits of Jefferson City, has a fine yield on the fifth mowing of his alfalfa field.

Having no approaching wedding in their families to announce in the immediate future, a number of society ladies of Rich Hill held soirees one afternoon recently and in a very pretty manner announced the coming marriage of President Woodrow Wilson and Mrs. Norman Galt.

We have never seen the time before when apples were so cheap and virtually a drug on the market. There was a load in town yesterday hunting buyers at 30 cents a bushel for Jonathans and 25 cents for Ben Davis, and they were hand picked, too. No need to go without apples this winter.—Clearmont News.

A pearl button that has been in his family for 103 years is the treasured possession of Henry Kimbrough of Reulick, who has owned the heirloom for forty-five years. The button originally was on an overcoat purchased by Mr. Kimbrough's great uncle in 1809. Mr. Kimbrough will have the button mounted as a watch charm.

Carroll county never fails to get at least some mention of note occasionally. The Democrat now comes forth with the declaration that Carroll county, and that the one and only reason that the Mexico chief is succeeding and has been recognized is that his father was a Carroll countian. And they further declare that they are capable of furnishing many more such chiefs. Given a little time, we'll bet that they can prove that the Kaiser formerly farmed between Carrollton and Wakenda.—Liberty Advance.

"We four men will be in our graves within two years. I will die first, Cottle will follow, and then Franck will die. Snerley will live until the autumn of 1915." With this uncanny message written upon a card Dr. Frank M. Nettles of Cape Girardeau dismissed his three guests at a card party two years ago. Within a few months he died. Cottle and Franck died soon after and the Tribune notes that the sudden death a week ago of O. D. Snerley completes the death chain of the weird prediction.

Bryan Thomason, aged 32 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Thomason, of near Leadington, selected a fatal spot for his bed last Saturday night or early Sunday morning when he crawled under one car near the M. R. & B. T. station at Flat River to sleep. A night switch train coupling onto the cars under which he was lying ran over his body inflicting injuries which resulted in his death at the Boone Terre hospital several hours later. No one saw the accident but from the testimony at the inquest it was learned that the unfortunate young man had been in Elvins drinking heavily during the evening and had evidently crawled under the cars while intoxicated.—Farmington News.

Hessian Fly Killed.

The local papers and the experiment station thru its county agent and extension service seem to have checked the work of the Hessian fly in at least one county. Very little wheat was sown before the fly-free date, October 13, and in many cases sowing was delayed until the latter part of the month and all voluntary wheat thoroughly destroyed. Preparation of a good seed bed received much more attention than usual, and it seems very improbable from observations made by T. J. Talbot of the College of Agriculture that there will be much damage from the fly in that particular county next year. Mr. Talbot says that the late fall may result in the appearance of a second brood of the fly, but that such late appearances are not usually very severe although they may do a little damage. It is impossible to say whether growers have been equally wise in all parts of Missouri, but if so there should be five or ten million dollars' worth of wheat harvested next year in addition to what would have been harvested if the Hessian fly campaign had not been conducted. The wheat had been up for some time and prospects for a good crop next year seem excellent.

W. H. Smith, the aged postmaster of Cassville, when the postoffice was robbed, suspected his own son and questioned him so closely that the young man broke down and confessed the crime. Then he took the criminal to Springfield and delivered him over to the Federal authorities for punishment. There is some curiosity felt whether when the case is disposed of next spring the elder Smith will claim the \$200 reward paid by the government in such cases.

Col. Edward L. Prestorius, president of the German-American Press Association and publisher of the Westliche Post and the St. Louis Times, shot himself thru the head, dying immediately, at his home in St. Louis the morning of November 1. He is said to have suffered injuries in an automobile accident some time ago and that this caused a mental breakdown. It was certainly a great shock to his family and friends. The daily papers have many nice things to say about him.

Mrs. George Knowles, wife of a farmer living near Harrisonville, with a companion, Miss Stout, were in a spring wagon going to take care of a neighbor's sick child, when the horses ran away. In trying to turn the team, Mrs. Knowles was thrown out. Her right foot caught in the rapidly revolving wheel in such way as to be wedged firmly. Both lower bones were broken and Mrs. Knowles being a very large woman, was dragged but a short distance when the leg pulled apart at the fracture, leaving her lying in the road. A nearby farmer found the team stopped a short distance away by the lines tangling, the woman's foot and lower leg still lodged in the wheel. He lifted her in the wagon and hastened to the home of the sick child where the doctor was found. The leg was amputated directly above the knee. It is related that while Miss Stout was so hysterical as to require medical aid, Mrs. Knowles remained calm during the awful ordeal; and now that she is recovering is so sunny and cheerful as to win the admiration of all for her pluck.

Fruit Fillers.

"An apple a day keeps the doctor away."

Cranberry jelly is a good appetizer. Put a nicely baked Missouri apple in the dinner pail. Raisins and dates make appetizing and nutritious filling for sandwiches.

A few dried raisins, figs, and dates stuffed with nuts are pleasant surprises when found in the school lunch.

Cinnamon rolls, containing raisins and currants, satisfy the natural craving for sweets and are better for children than cake. Russian bread, made by adding eggs, a little sugar, shortening, raisins, currants and nuts if desired, to common bread dough, is excellent for sandwiches.

These brief suggestions are made by Miss Carrie Pancoast, a domestic science teacher of the College of Agriculture, University of Missouri.

When the word went forth that visitors to the Clinton bond burning had consumed some six hundred gallons of burgo, some prohibitionists began to sit up and take notice, resolving that Clinton was a fair field for some reforming. A dictionary showed them, however, that while burgo may not be wholly innocent, it isn't what they first thought it was.

The present warm weather has not only made one think of the early days of summer, but has in many instances started the trees and flowers to blooming. The most remarkable instance noticed is at the home of H. S. Stephens, at 1220 South Cottage Grove. They have cherry trees in bloom as in early June, with high violet blossoms here and there as in midsummer.—Kirksville Express.

Councilman Redford, of Warrensburg, turned up a couple of terrapin eggs while plowing at the edge of town, and just for fun placed them under a setting hen. Some time after, hearing a terrific squalling in his poultry house, Redford investigated and found Biddy greatly excited with a newly hatched tar'pin hanging to each leg. The hen failed to see the fun, so Redford removed the hatchings and has 'em in a glass jar.

Judge Thorp told Colonel Newby he had a pumpkin that would outweigh his 52-pound Jumbo. The colonel didn't believe it so he took Thorp's pumpkin to the elevator and weighed it. It weighed 74 pounds, making the Jumbo look like a baby elephant. Now instead of admitting himself beaten, Newby says Judge Thorp's melon is a cross between a Hubbard squash and a hippopotamus and has no standing in agricultural contests.—The Weston Herald.

Howard Levan, who several months ago was whipped by masked men at his home in Blodgett for the offense of window peeping, has filed suit through his attorneys, Oscar A. Kuehane, referee in bankruptcy, and Senator Thomas F. Lane, for \$25,000.00 damages against Maurice Harris, cashier of the Blodgett bank, and William McBride, bookkeeper for the B. F. Marshall Merc. Co. The suit was filed in the Stoddard county circuit court at Bloomfield the latter part of last week. It is said that Levan was the recipient of some threatening letters which he has turned over to the Federal authorities and that the writer of the letters will be prosecuted in the Federal court.—Morley Banner.

"FORWARD" SLOGAN OF "GOLDEN JUBILEE" CONVENTION.

Missouri Sunday School Association Convenes at St. Louis Nov. 14, 17 and 18.

"Forward" is an appropriate slogan for "Missouri's Greatest Syndicate." Not only does Missouri hold sixth place among the states of the Union in Sunday school enrollment, but she is rapidly forging ahead in organization and efficiency as well. Three years ago only 50 counties had organizations; today there are 90, many of them headed by the leading educators and strongest business men in the community. The Sunday school is receiving far more attention in Missouri today than ever before.



JUETT N. McDONALD.

In recent years much has been said and written about the decadence of the country church and many theories advanced for its rehabilitation. Here and there men with a vision have succeeded in making the church the real center of the life of the community. Such a man is Just Noble McDonald of Illinois, who will bring practical help as well as inspiration to the workers in small towns and the open country.

The author of the greatest book on the Sunday school—"The Church School"—Prof. Walter S. Athearn of Des Moines, will be one of the main speakers. The leading authority in the whole world on work with boys in the Sunday School—John L. Alexander—will also have a prominent place in the program. Mr. Alexander was the first national secretary of the Boy Scouts and is now international superintendent of teen-age work.



JOHN L. ALEXANDER.

The three Bible studies alone will be worth a trip across the state. Dr. John A. Rice, who will give these studies, has no superior in America. Among the women specialists, perhaps none is better known or in more demand, either as a practical instructor or an inspiring speaker, than Mrs. Antoinette A. Lamoreaux, author of "Unfolding Life." The music of the convention will be on a high plane and under the direction of Prof. S. H. Meyers of Detroit, Mich.

These are but a few of the other great leaders: W. C. Pearce, Chicago; Dr. Frank G. Smith, Kansas City; Mrs. Katherine W. Eddy and John H. Engle of Kansas; Mrs. Mary Foster Bryner, Chicago; Dr. W. J. Williamson and Prof. George Platt Knox, St. Louis; Dean Walter Williams of Prof. J. D. Elliot, Columbia.



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